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## EMERGENCY RELIEF WORK ON CROWN MOUNTAIN COMMENCES ON MONDAY

ST. THOMAS – The Department of Public Works (DPW) is advising the community of upcoming roadwork on Crown Mountain, near Shibui Condominiums. On March 29, Island Roads Corporation will begin construction at the site, with the implementation of traffic control devices and construction signs. Work is expected to continue through July 31, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

This project is a part of a larger Emergency Relief project, that entails completing storm damage repairs on both St. Thomas and St. John, at various locations. At this particular location, the contractor will address the severely undermined road, heading North on Crown Mountain Road, Route 33. This design build project is funded through Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Emergency Relief funds at the cost of \$19,766,442.33. This project is managed by DPW partners, Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division, a division of the FHWA.

"The department is thrilled to begin construction on this project, as this particular location poses serious safety concerns," said Derek Gabriel, DPW Commissioner Nominee. "We look forward to bringing relief to the motoring public as we continue to address the damaged roadways."

The department is urging motorists to adhere to all safety controls and directives from onsite flaggers and traverse with extreme caution. If possible, the department recommends using alternate traffic routes during the designated work hours.

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